

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of Aquila, Inc.) Application No. NG-0004.1
d/b/a Aquila Networks (Aquila),)
Omaha, seeking a waiver of the)
30-day notice period under Neb.) ORDER GRANTING PETITION FOR
Rev. Stat. §66-1854 and to) INTERVENTION AND
recover the gas cost portion of) NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT
uncollectible accounts through)
its Gas Cost Adjustment tariff.)
) Entered: August 9, 2005

BY THE COMMISSION:

O P I N I O N A N D F I N D I N G S

On June 27, 2005, Aquila, Inc. (Aquila) filed an application proposing that Aquila be permitted to recover the gas cost portion of Aquila's bad debt write-off through the Gas Cost Adjustment process.

Notice of the application was published in the *Daily Record*, Omaha, on June 30, 2005. On August 1, 2005, the Public Advocate filed a Petition for Formal Intervention in this matter. The Public Advocate further requested that to the extent Aquila's application is a change in tariffs, that the operation of the changed tariff be suspended pending the outcome of any hearing.

The Commission being fully advised in the premises, finds that the Public Advocate's Petition for Formal Intervention should be granted. To the extent that Aquila's application represents a tariff change, it is suspended pending further order by the Commission.

The Commission further finds that it may be necessary to assess certain expenses associated with this docket to Aquila, pursuant to Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840. The Commission hereby provides notice to the utility, as required by Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840, that expenses may be assessed.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the Public Advocate's Petition for Formal Intervention is granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that to the extent that Aquila's application represents a tariff change, it is suspended pending further order by the Commission.

IT IS FINALLY ORDERED that Aquila, Inc. is hereby given notice of assessment as required by *Neb. Rev. Stat. § 66-1840* and a copy of this order shall be mailed to Aquila, Inc.

MADE AND ENTERED at Lincoln, Nebraska, this 9th day of August, 2005.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Executive Director